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SUBJ: ENERGY DISCUSSIONS WITH USG OFFICIALS

1. MICHAEL KELLY, BUSINESS ANALYST, OIL AND GAS DIVISION, BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY CO. LTD. (BHP) WILL BE VISITING WASHINGTON MIDDLE OF WEEK OF AUGUST 14-20 AND WOULD APPRECIATE MEETINGS WITH USG ENERGY OFFICIALS.

2. KELLY WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS USG VIEWS ON NATURAL GAS, LNG, AND FUEL OIL DEMAND, SUPPLY AND PRICES. PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION PARAMETERS FOR IMPORT APPROVAL, VOLUME RESTRICTIONS AND PRICING CONSTRAINTS FOR LNG. DETAILS OF US REFINERY CRACKING CAPACITY AS IT RELATES TO WEST COAST FUEL OIL PRICES ALSO USEFUL.

3. COMMENT: BHP IS ONE OF THE PARTNERS ON THE PENDING NORTH WEST SHELF NATURAL GAS VENTURE. BHP WILL SOON UNDERTAKE A MAJOR FEASIBILITY STUDY CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE GAS VENTURE AND DATA ON US WILL BE INPUT TO STUDY.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE ARRANGE APPOINTMENTS FOR KELLY FOR AUGUST 17 OR 18 WITH APPROPRIATE UNCLASSIFIED

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